Programme producing centres at Jorhat, Assam

1196. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government have taken a decision for enhancing the number of programme producing centres of Doordarshan from 18 to 48 by 1990; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to set up a programme producing centre at Jorhat in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) On implementation of all the schemes included in the Seventh Plan of Doordarshan, the number of TV programme production centres will go up from the existing 18 to 48.

(b) No, Sir.

Non-plan funds for improvement of Guwahati

1197. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a provision for special non-plan funds for the improvement of cities;

(b) if so, what is the total number of cities receiving such funds;

(c) whether Government propose to allocate such special non-plan funds for the improvement of Guwahati; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) There is no scheme for providing non-Plan Central assistance for urban development projects in the States. Funds for urban development are provided in State Plans. Besides Central Plan assistance is also provided under the two Centrally sponsored Schemes of Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns and Urban Basic Services. Efforts are also made to obtain external assistance for appropriate specific projects. However, considering that Bombay has acute problems of housing and slums that cannot be effectively tackled through normal sector programmes, it has been decided to provide Non-Plan assistance of Rs. 100 crores to Government of Maharashtra for the purpose. There is no proposal at present to extend such Non-Plan assistance to other cities.

Development works in sector XVI of Rohini complex, New Delhi

1198. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 510 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th February, 1987 and state:

(a) whether the development works in Sector XVI of the Rohini Complex, New Delhi have since been completed;

(b) if so, by when the allottees are likely to be handed over possession of the plots in the said Complex; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Development works in the Sector have not yet been cmpleted.

(b) The allotment to the allottees will be made after the completion of the development works for which no time-limit can be indicated at this stage.

(c) The reasons are:—

(i) Sharing of cost of services between DDA and MCD is yet to be finalised. The work of trunk services